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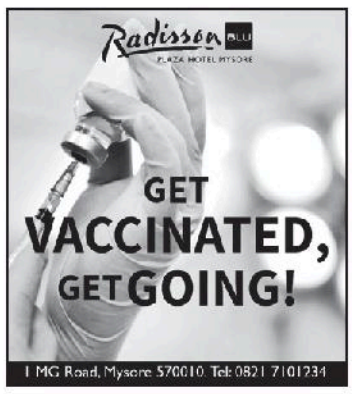

Mysore University switches over to

Online Admission

for UG and PG courses from this year

Mysuru, July 9 (RK&DM)- Ending the usual procedure for admissions to various Under-Graduate (UG) and Post-Graduate (PG) courses of University of Mysore (UoM) that has been in practice for decades, the over a century-old Varsity has gone for adaptation of technology, which eliminates the long process of paper work, for admissions that will be made only through online, starting from this academic year (2021-22).

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning, UoM Registrar Prof. R. Shivappa said that more than 225 Graduate and Post-Graduate Colleges come under the UoM, which has jurisdiction over the four districts of Mysuru, Mandya, Hassan and Chamarajanagar.

Pointing out that these Colleges have an admission capacity of a total of 1,35,000 students every year, including 20,000 PG course students, Prof. Shivappa said that admissions for both UG and PG courses will be done through a **Unified University Colleges Management System (UUCMS).** Almost all procedures including payment of admission and exam fees, classroom management and such other activities will be done online, he added.

K-SET exam on July 25

The K-SET (Karnataka - State Eligibility Test-2021) for Assistant Professorship in Colleges of Karnataka, conducted by the University of Mysore, which is the Nodal Agency, will take place on July 25.

Announcing this at a press meet at Manasagangothri this morning, Prof. Rajashekar, the Co-ordinator for K-SET said that the exam was earlier postponed twice due to COVID crisis. Now that the crisis has eased, the exam will take place on July 25. The admission ticket can be downloaded from the website *(http://kset.uni-mysore.ac.in),* he said.

Pointing out that over 85,000 candidates from across the State have applied for the exam, he said that the exam will be held at 11 places in the State — Mysuru, Bengaluru, Belagavi, Ballari, Vijayapura, Davanagere, Dharwad, Kalaburagi, Mangaluru, Shivamogga and Tumakuru.

Noting that the exam will be held for 41 subjects, Prof. Rajashekar said that in Mysuru, there are 29 exam centres, with a big number of applicants choosing Mysuru as exam centre.

Maintaining that the exam will have the same set of question papers that was set for the exam that was first scheduled to take place in April, he said that all Government SOPs will be followed during the conduct of the exam. He asked all the candidates and the exam staff to strictly follow COVID appropriate behaviour for their own health, safety and well-being.

Use Police force if rural COVID patients refuse to move to CCCs

Minister Eshwarappa tells District officials

Mysuru, July 9 (RKB&SSV)- Expressing shock at 1,335 persons being under home isolation in rural areas in Mysuru District, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Minister K.S. Eshwarappa directed officials concerned to shift them to nearest COVID Care Centres (CCCs) or Taluk General Hospitals immediately.

"Use Police force, if necessary, in case those patients disagree to go to the Government facilities," he said at a review meeting of RDPR at Zilla Panchayat auditorium here this morning.

The Minister was shell-shocked when District Health Officer (DHO) Dr. K.H. Prasad informed that though the Corona situation was coming under control in Mysuru District, still 1,335 persons were under home isolation in rural areas.

Eshwarappa said it was too high and alarming as those patients could transmit the virus to others at home. They must be convinced to go to nearby CCCs or Taluk Hospitals. In case they refuse to be shifted, take the help of Police and shift them to CCCs. All of them must spend 14 days in isolation and must not be sent back home at any cost, he added.

He said while the Corona positive cases were coming down in urban areas, it was still high in rural areas. To tackle this pandemic in villages, the State Government has banned home isolation in rural areas due to lack of facilities at home. There would be surge in positive cases in rural areas in case they allowed large number of people to undergo home isolation, he said.

Asked about the vaccination coverage, the DHO informed the meeting that the District so far has received 50 lakh doses. In regard to vaccinating College students, 40,000 have been administered vaccine so far of the total one lakh students. Rest will be vaccinated at the earliest.

The Health Department was fully geared up to take on the third wave of COVID-19 pandemic which according to medical experts will affect children in the age group of 12 to 20 years.

Gang faking land documents busted

▶ Rs. 4 crore loan taken from Andhra Pradesh Bank ▶ Six including three women arrested; one absconding

Mysuru, July 9 (MK&BCT)- An organised gang that used to sell high-value property with fake documents and also obtain bank loans has been busted in the city and six persons, including three women, have been arrested. Not only they took loans on somebody else's property but also sold the same land to others.

The Police now suspect that many more persons and gangs are involved in such deals as they are on the rise. They have cautioned the public and financial institutions to ascertain the veracity of documents before committing to any transaction in their own interest. In this particular case, Rs. 4 crore was borrowed from a bank in Nellore, Andhra Pradesh.

The racket has been busted by Ashokapuram Police based on the complaint filed by Mahesh, a resident of Srirampura. The arrested are Yogesh, Manju, Mahalinga Nayaka, Rajeshwari, Bhagyamma and Kashireddy Vedavathi from Andhra. One more accused Kadur Vasumathamma is absconding. The accused have been produced before the Court which handed them over to judicial custody.

As per the complaint, Mahesh had GPA over a parcel of land that extends up to 4 acres 36 guntas under Survey Number 102/1A owned by Shyamala and late Indiramma of Srirampura. A General Power of Attorney (GPA) is a legal document authorising one person (called an agent) to act on behalf of another (the principal).

The accused Mahalinga procured the GPA and other documents for sale from Mahesh as the latter wanted to sell the land for a good price. Mahalinga handed over the documents to his friends Yogesh and Manju asking them to make arrangements to sell the land.

Deciding not to sell the land but instead make money out of it, Mahalinga, Manju and Yogesh hatched a conspiracy and got two women Rajeshwari and Bhagyamma to impersonate Shyamala and Indiramma, who had the original ownership of the land that has been handed over to Mahesh through the GPA.

First, the gang created fake Aadhaar card, PAN card in the names of Shyamala and Indiramma and trained the impersonators to sign as original parties. Specimens of signatures were obtained from GPA document and the duo were asked to practice the signatures.

(See GANG on page 7)

STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Friday 9th July 2021

Govt. orders property tax waiver for single screen theatres

Bengaluru, July 9 (UNI)- The Karnataka Government has ordered a complete waiver of property tax on single screen theatres for the 2021-22 financial year. After the Karnataka State Film Exhibitors Association (KSFEA) submitted a detailed memorandum to Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa, the latter directed the officials to issue an order waiving property tax with immediate effect.

According to the order, the property tax waiver for single screen theatres will cost the State exchequer Rs. 9 crore. The decision comes at a time single screen theatres are reeling under the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and the lockdowns enforced due to it.

Many single screen theatres in the State including a couple of them in Mysuru have shut down or are on the verge of shutting down permanently. The KSFEA in its memorandum stated that with theatres remaining shut for almost 15 months due to the COVID-19 pandemic since March last year, barring a short window between February and April this year, the theatre owners have suffered huge losses.

The Association said that no audience is likely to visit the theatres during this time and many theatres are on the verge of shutting down. There are 630 single-screen theatres in the State. Over the past year, the theatres hardly opened for a month or two, following an unlock after the first wave of the pandemic.

"We will never recover from this without aid. Even if the Government allows us to open, we are expecting people to avoid crowded areas. Even if we open, we are expecting a loss of 40 percent," Association members said.

On their part, theatre owners said that because of the lockdown which has denied them income, the monthly expenses have driven them to a loss and many theatre owners have taken loans to be able to pay their employees and also maintain the theatres.

Even though they were open, the theatres could operate only at 50 percent capacity. Hence, the theatres could barely make up for the losses they incurred, according to the Association.

The Government order also stated that theatres may be allowed to operate for a month or two and that too at 50 percent capacity.

The Government note said that while the Karnataka had extended relief of Rs. 3,000 to each of 22,000 employees in the film industry, the property tax waiver was given considering the lack of business owing to the anticipated third wave of COVID-19.

According to data provided by the Karnataka Exhibitors' Association, the collective of 630 theatre owners have ended up paying Rs. 10 crore in salaries for around 8,000 employees. The theatre owners have spent Rs. 5 crore for property tax, Rs. 1 crore for electricity bill and Rs. 3 crore for maintaining the interiors of the theatre.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

During this pandemic, ASHA workers have proved their worth many times over their measly wages. They have conducted house visits, village surveys, rapid antigen tests and even offered rudimentary first aid for COVID patients through distributing paracetamol tablets. Many did these tasks without adequate protective gear or thermometers and oximeters. ASHAs (Accredited Social Health Activists) have grown rapidly into a 10-lakh strong corps since launch in 2006. By accompanying pregnant women for institutional deliveries and motivating child immunisation, they aided India's giant leaps in these two areas. With roles to play now in COVID detection, vaccine delivery and dispelling vaccine hesitancy, better working conditions are key to extracting maximum value from them. But dirt cheap wages don't do justice to either the job risks or their criticality as last-mile public health workers in villages. If this isn't exploitation, what is? Given that ASHA workers are women, gender injustice in the unequal and irregular pay cycles deserves stronger scrutiny. With ASHA protests rampant across India, recognise that such low honorariums also contribute to poor worker morale and consequently suboptimal public health outcomes. — *In The Times of India*

NEWS SPARKLERS

The mysterious natural pyramid of Argentina

Buenos Aires: The Salar de Arizaro, Argentina's second largest salt flat, is home to one of the world's most mysterious natural formations – Cono de Arita, a 200-meter-tall conical pyramid that's so perfectly shaped that it appears man-made.

In fact, all through the early twentieth century, everyone was convinced that Cono de Arita, like the actual pyramids of Egypt, had been built my man. However, scientific research has since showed that this imposing formation is actually the tip of a small volcano that lacked the power to burst through the Earth's curst and spew lava or develop a crater. Today it is considered the most perfect natural cone in the world.

Cono de Arita is sometimes referred to as "the floating volcano", because of the optical illusion people often see when looking at the conical formation from afar. Against the vast salt flats the volcano sometimes appears to be floating.

Machine turns beer and spirits into ice-cream

Illinois: Getting drunk on ice cream used to be the stuff of dreams, but thanks to Will Rogers, inventor and owner of WDS Dessert Stations in Hinkley, Illinois, it has become a delicious reality. Rogers, who runs his own ice cream shop, was trying to create a highly-caffeinated espresso ice cream flavor when he realized he could use the same technique with alcoholic beverages.

He started experimenting with ingredients commonly used in the ice cream industry and eventually patented something called the NEA gel. It's this gel that allows alcohol to freeze to a near solid inside the machine.

Even though machine changes the texture of beer and turn them into ice cream, it does not affect the alcohol content at all.

HEALTH CAPSULE

It's time to avoid 'Empty calories' snacks Post covid for overall health!
Empty calorie food is least nutritious food, but most commonly preferred snack in all the age groups. Ex:- white bread, buns, cream bun, potato bun, cakes, muffins, donuts, pizza, candies, chats, French fries, lemonade etc should be avoided in order to make sure of your overall health.

By Syeda Shifain Fathima - Department of Dietetics & Nutrition

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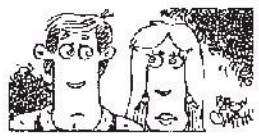


Human fertility is now declining as our planet becomes choked with chemicals and devitalised food. 1 in 4 couples are now unable to have children because of miscarriage and conception problems. Fertility is a leading indicator of human health.

COVID-19 UPDATE - MYSURU

DATES	JULY 7	JULY 8
Day's Positive Cases	248	294
Total Positive Cases	1,68,794	1,69,088
Day's Discharges	271	394
Total Discharges	1,62,929	1,63,323
Day's Deaths	3	6
Total Deaths	2,220	2,226
Total Active Cases	3,645	3,539

NOTE: Figures as per Government Media Bulletin

Community dogs poisoned at Vijayanagar Third Stage

Mysuru, July 9 (BCT)- At a time when the Supreme Court has ruled that stray dogs have a right to live and nobody has a right to kill them, five stray dogs (community dogs) have been found missing on July 5 in Vijayanagar Third Stage. Shockingly, two carcasses were recovered the very next day and animal activists suspect that this is a case of poisoning.

The dogs were found missing from Vijayanagar Third Stage A Block and were active in guarding the streets. According to People For Animals (PFA) all the dogs were sterilised and vaccinated. A lady by name Shobha was feeding the dogs daily.

As it is a suspected case of poisoning, a post-mortem was conducted by the jurisdictional Government Veterinarian and the samples have been sent to the Forensic Science Laboratory.

REALLY...?

- *Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Charlotte Perkins Gilman and other early feminists painted their lips as a symbol of emancipation when they marched in the 1912 NYC Suffragette rally.*
- *Queen Elizabeth was reportedly a huge believer in the healing powers of lipstick and applied the cosmetic heavily when she fell ill. She was said to have had half an inch of lipstick on her lips at the time of her death.*
- *Both men and women in Ancient Egypt wore lipstick as a symbol of their status. They applied it almost daily with wet sticks of wood and favoured colours such as magenta, blue-black and orange though red was also a popular shade.*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Husband looks at his wife in surprise, *"Wow darling, you look all different and nice today! Is that a new hairdo?"*
The wife hisses from behind him, *"I'm over here, Arnold!"*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 74.62
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 102.82
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 20.31
1 Euro	= Rs. 88.30

VOICE OF THE READER

Maintenance of heritage buildings: Follow Good Engineering Practices

Sir,

The article on Lansdowne building by Dr. Javeed Nayeem in *Star of Mysore* dated July 4 took me to my childhood memories. Though my childhood was in Bombay, every summer vacation our family used be in Mysore. I remember visiting 'Phalamrutha' almost daily or on alternate days with my maternal uncle to eat the delicious fruit salad with a scoop of vanilla ice-cream or drink badam milk.

We used to start thinking of this ice-cream once our tickets were booked for Mysore. Even during later days, after my parents shifted our house in 1981, visits to Mysore from my workspot in Hyderabad or Bangalore, was in schedule. And during that short stay at least one visit to 'Phalamrutha' was a must.

I also remember Srinivasa Power Press. The owner was my late father A.R.S Gopalachar's friend. He used to visit the Press frequently to get done a rubber stamp or some printing activity for Krishnapuram temple, for which he was connected. The Press also sold religious and spiritual books. I remember visiting the Press along with my father.

The sad part of Lansdowne building and other buildings mentioned in the article is that we have not been able to restore them. Though lot of talks or discussions have taken place, nothing has been done.

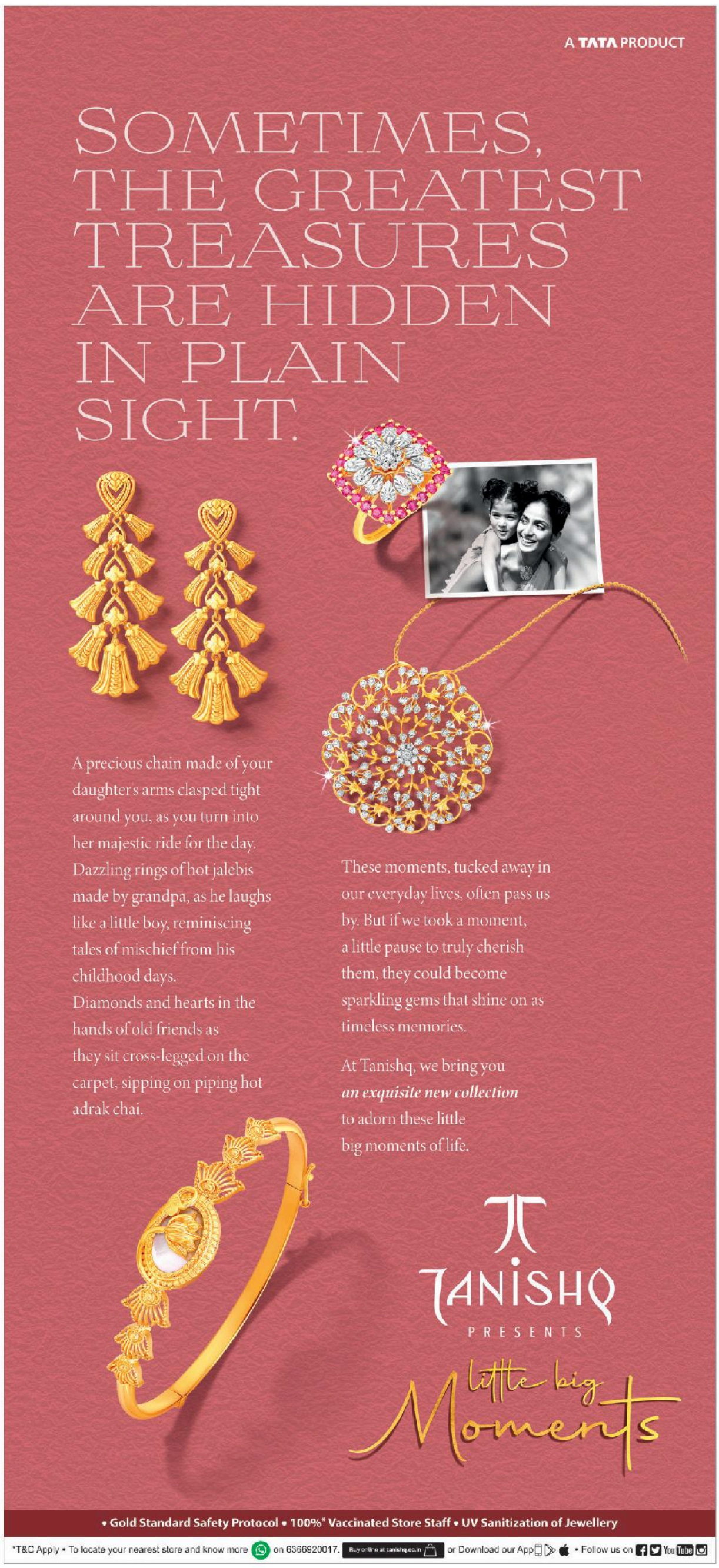
At present there is so much of technology; so efforts should be made to completely repair or reconstruct the same by maintaining its heritage value in time bound manner. I find whenever the Administration decides to take up some of these works, there are a set of people to oppose the same and without any solution. But it is high time the District Administration should act on this.

While on the subject, I would like to stress the building maintenance for all our heritage structures as per yearly schedule, instead of playing blame-game after the damage is done. Even for new buildings, a planned preventive maintenance should be part of handing over. This is GEP (Good Engineering Practices) followed in all corporates.

—A.G. Raghu, Santhana Gopala Consultants
Saraswathipuram 6.7.2021

New office-bearers of CFTRI SC/ST Employees Welfare Association

Mysuru, July 9 (KS)- The following have been elected as the new office-bearers of CFTRI SC/ST Employees Welfare Association, CFTRI Campus, Mysuru for the year 2021-23: **President:** Shivaswamy, **Vice-President:** Dr. Ajay Waman Tumaney, **General Secretary:** H.E. Krishnaiah, **Joint Secretary:** Narasimhamurthy, **Treasurer:** Dr. D. Swaroopa Rani, **Advisors:** Dr. S. Nagarajan, Sudhir G. Walde and S. Shivappa, **Executive Committee Members:** Dr. Mohan A. Dhale, Dr. G. Suresh Kumar, Dr. L. Shivakumar, Dr. Baby Latha, Giriyappa Killananavar, K. Jyothi, Lakshmi, Ezil Murugan, Basavaraju Mundalmani, R. Pradeep, C. Basavaraju, R. Sriram, M. Shivakumar, Gangadharappa, Rangaswamy, Puttaswamy, Raviswamy and R. Shiva.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NEWS BRIEFS

Avail subsidy

The Karnataka Khadi and Village Industries Board (KVIB) has invited applications from entrepreneurs who wish to start micro industries and service industries after getting loans from banks under Prime Minister Employment Generation Plan (PMEGP), for availing subsidy. Those interested can apply via www.pmegp e-portal or www.kvic.org.in. For more details, visit the KVIB office located in District Industries Centre, Sayyaji Rao Road, Mysuru or call Ph: 0821-2566428.

Ph.D awardees

JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research (JSS AHER), Mysuru, has awarded Ph.D in Life Sciences to B. Navyashree, Assistant Professor, Department of Zoology, JSS College of Arts, Commerce and Science, Mysuru, for her thesis titled 'Isolation and Biochemical Characterization of Pathogens Infecting Solanaceae Plant,' submitted under the guidance of Dr. K.C. Latha.

Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) has awarded Ph.D in Commerce to K.B. Shylaja, for her thesis titled 'Risk Management in Investment Decision - A study of Life Insurance Corporation (LIC) of India in Bangalore,' submitted under the guidance of Prof. Jagadeesha.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM

Maximum	:	124.80 feet
Today	:	89.18 feet
Yesterday	:	89.62 feet
Inflow	:	1,792 cusecs
Outflow	:	4,694 cusecs

KABINI DAM

Maximum	:	2,284.00 feet
Today	:	2,275.77 feet
Inflow	:	1,550 cusecs
Outflow	:	1,700 cusecs

HARANGI DAM

Maximum	:	2,859.00 feet
Today	:	2,843.02 feet
Inflow	:	339 cusecs
Outflow	:	80 cusecs

PIL questions gun licence exemption extension to Kodavas

Bengaluru, July 9 (BCT)- A Public Interest Litigation (PIL) has been filed in the Karnataka High Court (HC) challenging the Centre's decision to continue the British-era rule of exempting Kodavas and Jamma land holders in Kodagu district from obtaining licence for firearms such as pistols, revolvers and double-barrelled shotguns till 2029.

On Oct.19, 2019, the Union Ministry of Home Affairs issued a notification providing exemption to the Arms Rules 2016, till Oct. 31, 2029. Following the PIL, the High Court Division Bench of Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka and Justice Suraj Govindaraj, has ordered issuance of notices to Centre and State.

The PIL has been filed by Captain (Retd.) Yaladalu K. Chethan, son of Yaladalu D. Keshavananda of Galibeedu village in Kodagu and this latest petition is the third one. He has been challenging the exemption provided by way of notification on July 6, 1963.

Kodavas worship weapons and guns are part and parcel of every festival and ceremony — be it birth or death — and the decision has been taken considering the cultural and religious sensitivities of the community. "Those who have been given the exemption are every person of Kodagu by race and every Jamma land tenure holder in Kodagu," according to the 2019 Home Ministry notification.

Kodavas are the only community in India who are exempted from obtaining arms licences. "The arms or ammunition carried or possessed by any person being from Kodagu by race and every Jamma tenure holder in Kodagu and herein exempted while residing or travelling outside the district of Kodagu shall not exceed one rifle with 100 rounds of ammunition for the same and one smooth bore breech or muzzle-loading gun with 500 cartridges or the equivalent in leaden shot and gunpowder," the notification had stated.

'Unconstitutional'

In his PIL, however, Chethan has stated that exemption, granted to 'every person of Coorg race and every Jamma tenure land holder in Coorg' is unconstitutional, as it creates differentiation based on race, caste and ancestral land tenure.

"The Union Government has not in letter and spirit reviewed or reconsidered its 1966 notification despite certain observations made by the High Court in earlier proceedings," the PIL stated.

"The classification and use of term 'Coorg race' promotes discrimination between the citizens of Coorg region on the ground of caste, violating Article 15 of the Constitution. The classification of 'Coorg race' itself is derogatory and possesses a threat to the life and liberty as the people exempted are permitted to hold arms and ammunition without any scrutiny of their antecedents or criminal records," the PIL said.

He claimed that the gun licence privilege was a reward given by the British for the loyalty of the Coorgs during the first war of independence in 1857 and also during the Coorg Rebellion in 1837. It was never an exemption given on the basis of tradition and culture as claimed by the beneficiaries under the exemption, he stated.

"While a community that took on the British and refused to acknowledge their hegemony was stripped of all rights, those communities which supported the British in subjugating their own countrymen are enjoying the British-given privileges," the petition said.

Film actor Duniya Vijay's mother passes away

Narayanamma

Bengaluru, July 9- Narayanamma (80), mother of Kannada film actor Duniya Vijay, passed away at her residence yesterday following brief illness. Narayanamma had fallen sick last month and arrangements for her treatment were made at Vijay's house. She had reportedly suffered brain stroke.

She wanted to watch Duniya Vijay's directorial debut film *Salaga* but her wish remained unfulfilled, Vijay said.

Five-year-old killed as tractor runs over

Shocked tractor driver commits suicide in Mysuru

Harsha

Sunil

Gundlupet, July 9 (SOMG&KS)- A five-year-old boy was killed when a tractor reportedly ran over him yesterday morning and the tractor driver, who fled from the spot, committed suicide by consuming pesticides in Mysuru.

The tragedy took place when the tractor was levelling the ground on the outskirts of Savakanahalli Palya village in the taluk. While the deceased boy has been identified as Harsha (5), son of Mudda and Nagamani couple of Savakanahalli Palya, the tractor driver, who committed suicide, is Sunil (28).

Details: Yesterday morning, a few youths of the village had summoned three tractors to level the ground on the outskirts of the village to play cricket. Harsha too had accompanied the youths to the ground.

While levelling the ground, the tractor, with Sunil at the wheels reportedly ran over Harsha injuring him seriously. Though Harsha was being rushed to a hospital in Gundlupet, he is said to have breathed his last midway.

A case has been registered at Begur Police Station in this regard.

Commits suicide: Shocked over the incident, Sunil who had fled from the spot soon after the incident, went to his brother's house at Vijayanagar 3rd Stage in Mysuru, where he reportedly consumed pesticides and fell sick. He was admitted to a private hospital, where he breathed his last. A case has been registered at Vijayanagar Police Station.

Obituary

Sulochana Bai Rashinkar

Mysuru, July 9- Sulochana Bai Rashinkar (86), a resident of Siddarthanagar, passed away in the early hours of today in city.

She leaves behind sons Prakash and Ramesh, daughters-in-law Kiran and Rakhee, daughters Usha J. Pathange Asha S. Bagare and Shoba Amberkar, sons-in-law Jayaprakash Pathange and Shekar Bagare, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at the foot of Chamundi Hill this evening.

Alhaj K. Nazeer Ahmed Khan

Alhaj K. Nazeer Ahmed Khan (87), former Corporator, proprietor of 20 Beedi Works in Mandi Mohalla and a resident of Shivaji Road in N.R. Mohalla, passed away on July 7 in city.

He leaves behind his wife, children, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Namaz-e-Janaza and burial took place at the Muslim Burial Grounds near Tipu Circle on the same day, according to sources.

Ramambal

Ramambal (99), a resident of Kuvempunagar, passed away on Wednesday morning in city.

She leaves her husband, one son, five daughters, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill yesterday.

Saraswathi

M.V. Saraswathi (84), wife of late S. Gangadharaiah and a resident of Vijayanagar 3rd Stage, passed away yesterday evening at a private hospital in city following brief illness.

She leaves behind three sons, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at her native place Aralasandra village in Channapatna taluk today, according to family sources.

Drone's eye view to track illegal mining around KRS

State asks Mandya Administration to use technology to scan mining hotspots

Bengaluru, July 9 (KMS& BCT)- The State Government has ordered the Mandya District Administration to use unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) with advanced cameras to identify illegal stone and granite mining hotspots in and around the Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) Dam in Mandya and the areas surrounding it.

There is rampant mining activity at Baby Betta Kaval, Baby Betta Amruth Mahal Reserve Area, Bannangadi, Chinakurali, Anaganahalli, Kannambadi, Honaganahalli, Bastipura, Beechanakuppe, Averahalli and surrounding areas in Mandya and Pandavapura.

Speaking to reporters in Bengaluru last evening, Minister for Mines and Geology Murugesh Nirani said that the drone survey will ascertain all mining activities that pose a threat to the 90-year-old KRS Dam.

"The feature of drone technology is that it can be used to monitor illegal mining activities, check for activity at night and to track illegal truck movements. Drones can also monitor whether reclamation has been done as committed in the lease agreement, when a mine was closed and calculate the extent of the mining areas and also measure the green cover," he said.

The move will help analyse the volume of stones quarried, boundaries of the leased sites and also activities in open pit mines besides curbing illegal mining activities. "The UAV technology procures high-resolution aerial images for any specified areas within a short span of time. It also helps reduce the survey time, cost and human errors. It can demarcate boundaries of leased areas, identifies violations in terms of area, depth and volume and helps assess the actual quantum of stone quarried," Nirani added.

Murugesh Nirani

He said all illegal mining activities have been banned four months back at Baby Betta and surroundings. And only mines and crushers that have legal permits and licences are operating in Mandya. "It is not possible to prevent legal mining and if the entire mining activity is banned, the work on Mysuru-Bengaluru 10-lane Highway will come to a standstill," he reasoned.

Works on the Highway are in full swing and the M-sand and the stones for the project come from legal mining in Mandya. "Moreover, Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha is pressuring the Centre and the project contractor to complete the project within the already delayed deadline. We cannot stop such projects. Let me clarify that there is no illegal mining now," he explained.

Nirani admitted that illegal mining was rampant in Baby Betta. "We have imposed a blanket ban on illegal mining at Baby Betta and other areas following irregularities. We will soon conduct a survey along with Mines and Geology Department officers, mine and crusher owners and other stakeholders," he added.

Devotee ban atop Chamundi Hill

Simple but traditional pujas mark first day of *Ashada*

Mysuru, July 9 (SBD&BCT)- In the wake of COVID-19 pandemic, devotees have been restricted from visiting Goddess Sri Chamundeshwari Temple atop Chamundi Hill and Jwalamukhi Sri Tripurasundari Temple at Uthanahalli during *Ashada Friday* puja for the entire month.

This year, the *Ashada* month began on July 9 (today) with *Ashada Amavasya*. *Ashada Friday* pujas are scheduled on July 16, 23, 30 (also *Vardhanti* or birthday of the Goddess Chamundeshwari) and Aug. 6 that will be the last *Ashada Friday*. *Bheemana Amavasya* puja falls on Aug. 8

Devotees are also barred from visiting the temples on weekends, Sundays and general holidays during the period. However, the Temple will remain open for *darshan* on other days of the week. But in case the crowd is unmanageable and social distancing cannot be maintained, then *darshan* would be suspended on other days as well.

According to the order issued from the Office of Deputy Commissioner, "Religious rituals should be performed only in attendance of temple priests, officers and staff as per the customs and tradition."

The instructions from the DC were strictly followed this morning with only a handful of priests and Temple staff performing the rituals. The decked up *Utsava Murthy* of Goddess Chamundeshwari was taken in a procession around the Temple amidst music and chanting of mantras.

A couple of representatives from the Temple Management Committee were present during the rituals and there were no visitors. Even the media persons were not allowed inside. As part of the order, devotees are also prohibited from visiting the Temple by climbing the hill-steps. No mass feeding is allowed at both the Temples. After the procession today and the ritual pujas, the doors of the Temple were closed.

The DC's order states that barring the residents or the villagers residing at Chamundi Hill, vehicles of others are not allowed during the period of restrictions. Passes have been issued to the residents and whoever connected with the Temple administration. Action will be taken against the violators of restrictions that have been issued under rule 12 of Karnataka Epidemic Diseases (COVID-19) Regulations 2020 and Sections 30, 30 (2) and 12 of Disaster Management Act 2005.

The Temple attracts pilgrims in thousands during *Ashada Month* for which special arrangements are made every year including deployment of additional bus services all of which has been dispensed with this year following the decision to keep the public out.

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Bakrid: Pandemic casts shadow over sheep sales in city

Dull sales worry sellers; Sheep traders take to social media to sell their livestock

Mysuru, July 9 (YDS&KS)- With just a few days remaining for Bakrid Festival, COVID pandemic has cast a shadow over the sale of sheep as the sales have remained dull with sheep traders, who had brought their livestock to city waiting for customers. The LIC Circle in city, which used to be a spot of hectic activity with traders thronging the Circle with their livestock 15 days before the festival to do business, is wearing a dull look with just a few sheep traders waiting to do business.

Usually, sheep rearers and traders from various districts used to come to city to do business. Traders used to purchase sheep from Chamarajanagar, Bannur, Mandya, Malavalli and Hassan and bring the sheep to Mysuru and conduct good business at Kurimandi in Naidu Nagar, Bannimantap and other places in city. People used to buy sheep at a cost of Rs. 40,000 to Rs. 50,000 per sheep depending on the size and breed.

But now, due to the pandemic, traders from other districts have not arrived and hence a few local sheep traders are conducting business.

Yogesh, a sheep trader from Bannur, speaking to *SOM* said that he used to sell about 30 to 40 sheep previously during Bakrid season. "Due to COVID, sale of sheep was not as expected since two years. Last year I had sold 15 sheep in Mysuru, but this year, apart from two sheep, which I sold in my village, no sheep has been sold in Mysuru. I came with my sheep to Bannimantap on Thursday at about 4 pm and till 6 pm, not a single customer arrived to buy or even enquire about the price," he said.

A few sheep traders waiting for customers near Millennium (LIC) Circle in city this morning.

About Rs. 1,500 is spent on each sheep per month and Rs. 18,000 is spent annually to look after it. Customers ask for half the price we quote and we do not even recover the money we had spent on the sheep, let alone making profit, he added.

Mohammed Imran, a resident of Udayagiri said that he used to sell about 80 sheep during Bakrid, but due to COVID, the sales have dropped drastically. "I have reared 18 sheep myself and had bought 13 sheep from outside. I have sold 15 sheep and 16 sheep is yet to be sold. Even after waiting from dawn to dusk, there are no takers and if at all customers come, they ask for half the price. How can we earn our livelihood, if this continues," he said.

Meanwhile, a few traders are attempting to sell their livestock through social media hoping to get a good price for their sheep.

Mysuru DC transfer row

HC upholds CAT order on IAS Officer B. Sharat's transfer

Mysuru, July 9 (RK&DM)- The Karnataka High Court (HC) on Thursday upheld the CAT's (Central Administrative Tribunal) verdict in connection with the case pertaining to the premature transfer of IAS Officer B. Sharat, who was Mysuru Deputy Commissioner (DC) and transferred out of Mysuru just one month into his job last year.

A Division Bench of the HC, which heard Sharat's plea questioning his abrupt transfer just one month after he was posted as Mysuru DC, upheld the CAT order and also directed the Government to form a Transfer Board within two months.

After its constitution, the Board will look into the legal aspects of Sharat's petition questioning his premature transfer and take necessary action.

B. Sharat

A couple of days after he was shunted out as Mysuru DC in September last year, Sharat had petitioned the CAT questioning his premature transfer.

The CAT, which heard Sharat's plea, ruled in favour of Sharat. Later, the Karnataka Government petitioned the High Court during which it defended itself saying that Sharat cannot be reinstated as Mysuru DC considering his health status.

MCC's street vending zones: Submit objections by July 13

MCC Additional Commissioner N.M. Shashikumar (centre) seen during an inspection near Ballal Circle vending zone spot.

Mysuru, July 9 (RK&DM)- Setting in motion the setting up of vending zones at seven different places in the city, the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has invited objections, if any, from members of the public for the establishment of these vending zones.

The MCC, which has issued a public notification in this regard dated July 5, has asked the citizens, to submit their objections, if any, in writing along with supporting documents by July 13. The objections received after the deadline will not be accepted and the MCC will go ahead with the construction of the vending zones as ordered by the Government, according to the notification.

The seven spots where the vending zones that are proposed to come up are — Left side of the footpath on the stretch from Ballal Circle to Hemmige Circle on New Kantharaj Urs Road with KSGH Music and Performing Arts University premises at the Northern side, right side of the footpath on the stretch from Ballal Circle to Hemmige Circle on New Kantharaj Urs Road with Mayura Complex at the Southern side, in front of Swimming Pool Road in Saraswathipuram, Second Main Road, off Vijayanagar High Tension Road (from Sub-Registrar Office side towards Vidyavardhaka Engineering College side), the vacant space belonging to the MCC in front of St. Joseph Hospital along Mysuru-Bengaluru road at Bannimantap, near P&T Quarters on Bilal Masjid Road in N.R. Mohalla and the vacant space belonging to MCC along the service road of T. Narasipur Main Road.

Fudging Challans

Four Sub-Registrars dismissed from service along with three staff

8th accused, a Senior Sub-Registrar, is dead

Bengaluru, July 9- In a decision that can serve as a warning to corrupt Government servants, the State Government has dismissed seven currently serving staff, including four Sub-Registrars on charges of fudging challans at Mandya Sub-Registrar Office that resulted in losses to the tune of lakhs of rupees to the State exchequer. The eighth accused in the case, who was serving as a Senior Sub-Registrar, is dead.

The eight Government servants, who were charged included S.N. Prabha, currently serving as Turuvekere Sub-Registrar, H.S. Cheluvaraju serving as Sub-Registrar at Nanjangud, M. Umesh serving as Sub-Registrar at Sindhanur, C. Vijaya serving as Sub-Registrar at Sira, Srinivasulu, who had earlier served as Second Division Assistant (SDA) at Malavalli Sub-Registrar Office, Srirangapatna SDA A.C. Sunanda and Malavalli SDA Leelavathi. While the eighth accused P.V. Veeraraje Urs, who had served as Senior Sub-Registrar has died, three others — Umesh, Vijaya and Srinivasulu — have retired from service. All the eight were charged with fudging cash challans, thus causing financial losses to the State exchequer while serving at Mandya Sub-Registrar Office in their pre-promotion posts in 2005-06.

The Government later appointed B. Rangaswamy, a retired Judge to probe the matter. During the probe, it was found that S.N. Prabha had misused a total of Rs. 6.36 lakh in 77 cases, H.S. Cheluvaraju Rs.1.78 lakh in 13 cases, M. Umesh Rs. 42,000 in 4 cases, C. Vijaya Rs.1.01 lakh in 9 cases, Srinivasulu Rs. 5,000 in 2 cases, A.C. Sunanda Rs. 62,000 in 8 cases and Leelavathi Rs. 5.29 lakh in 40 cases. But all the accused had denied the charges. As the charges were of a serious nature, a criminal case was registered against all the accused at Mandya Police Station.

The Mandya Principal Civil and JMFC Court, which heard the case recently, found all the accused guilty of the charges and sentenced them to two years simple imprisonment besides imposing a total penalty of Rs. 25,000 each for offences under Sections 166, 409 and 420 of IPC.

As Prabha, Cheluvaraju, Sunanda and Leelavathi are still in service, they have been dismissed following their sentencing, while three others held guilty — Umesh, Vijaya and Srinivasulu — have retired from service and the other accused Veeraraje Urs, has died, according to the Commissioner of Stamps and Registration K.P. Mohan Raj.

Gang faking land documents busted

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Cleverly planning the cheating operation, another set of documents were created to obtain loans from a bank. Simultaneously, the land was also sold to some persons, without Mahesh being aware of the transactions. The land documents submitted to the bank were faked in such a manner that it created an impression of genuine GPA and sale deed in a bid to mislead the buyers and also the bank officers to clear the loans.

The documents were submitted to State Bank of India Nellore Branch in Andhra Pradesh and Rs. 2 crore each was borrowed as loan by Kadur Vasumathamma and Kashireddy Vedavathi. The loan transactions were supervised by Mahalinga, Manju and Yogesh while Rajeshwari and Bhagyamma impersonated Shyamala and late Indiramma to convince the bank officers.

Somehow, Mahesh, the GPA holder got a whiff of the land deal and he questioned Mahalinga Nayaka about it. Later, Mahesh complained to the Ashokapuram Police who took Rajeshwari and Bhagyamma for interrogation. They revealed the *modus operandi* to the Police and narrated the entire episode.

The Police later arrested Yogesh, Mahalinga and Manju in Mysuru and went to Nellore to arrest Kashireddy Vedavathi. The Police have spread a dragnet to nab Kadur Vasumathamma and are keeping a watch on any financial transaction by her as she is in possession of Rs. 2 crore loaned from the SBI.

Ashokapuram Inspector B.S. Prakash, staff Mahadevaiah Anand, Raghavendra, Shivaprakash Mahesh, Sandeep, Nitish, Shailaju and Vasanth were part of the operation.

Mega Lok Adalat on Aug.14

Mysuru, July 9 (RK&DM)- As part a State-level exercise, the Mysuru District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) will be conducting a Mega Lok Adalat in Mysuru city and district on Aug.14.

Principal District and Sessions Court Judge M.L. Raghunath, who also heads the DLSA, said that there are 1,07,172 pending cases in the district, out of which 81,328 cases can be resolved through mediation and reconciliation.

Pointing out that a total of 10,438 cases, including 3,853 MACT (motor accidents claims tribunal) cases, 3,126 criminal compoundable cases, 728 domestic dispute cases and 141 petty cases, are expected to come up before the Mega Lok Adalat on Aug.14, he said that the Adalat will also take up Bank cheque bounce cases and other land disputes that can be settled through mediation.

Save NTM School

High Court adjourns hearing on independent petition to July 14

Mysuru, July 9 (RK&DM)- The Karnataka High Court (HC) today adjourned the hearing in respect of an independent petition filed by some persons seeking saving of NTM School on N.S. Road in Mysuru, the premises of which has been ordered by the High Court to be handed over to Sri Ramakrishna Ashram in Mysuru for the construction of proposed Viveka Memorial, to July 14.

Some individuals , who were opposed to the shutting down of NTM School, had filed an independent petition seeking only saving of NTM School building a few months ago even before the HC's order last month directing the Government to hand over the school premises to the Ashram. The Court, which took up hearing on the petition, adjourned the hearing to July 14 after the advocate representing the petitioners sought more time for submission of additional documents.

Advocates Srinivasmurthy and Naganand are representing Ramakrishna Ashram while advocate Madhusudhan Nayak is arguing on behalf of petitioners.

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With profound grief we inform the demise of our beloved mother
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The last rites will be held at 4 pm today at Hindu crematorium, foot of Chamundi hill.

Sadly missed along life's way, but in our hearts, you are always there.

Deeply mourned by - Sons : Prakash and Ramesh,
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Sons-in-law : Jayaprakash Pathange and Shekar Bagare,
Grandchildren, Relatives and Friends.

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Sloth bear's tiger chase has netizens thrilled

Dammanakatte, July 9 (MTY & BCT)- An interesting encounter between a sloth bear and an adult tiger at Kabini backwater forests has impressed netizens after it went viral on social media. The Kabini forests come under Nagarahole National Park and the video has been shot at Kakanakote area under Antharasanthe Range (Dammanakatte)

The Tiger Reserve was opened a couple of days back after months of lockdown and tourists and safari-goers had thronged the Dammanakatte entrance to have a glimpse of the wildlife. The 1.11 minute video, taken on July 7, shows the bear raising itself and charging at the tiger.

Spotting the tiger drinking water at a lake, the safari vehicle, including a bus and a Jungle Lodges Gypsy, stopped and the tourists began clicking photos of the Wow! Factor. The vehicle drivers decided to halt for a few moments to give a full view of the tiger, who were robbed of such moments, thanks to lockdown. The big cat climbed the lake bank after quenching its thirst.

The feline paused for a moment sensing the smell of the approaching sloth bear. The tiger's keen sense of smell had detected the presence of prey though the bear was not visible to the tourists. Within moments, the black bear, with an attractive garland-like marking around its neck, appeared from the thick lantana growing by the edge of the woods.

The waiting tiger caught the attention of the bear and even the tiger slowly moved towards it. The nonchalant bear, however, rose on its hind legs to intimidate the approaching tiger. Unfettered, the tiger did not stop first and it stealthily approached the bear. The unfazed bear stood up on its hind legs to chase the big cat away and moved, displaying its sharp claws.

Seeing the charging bear, the tiger sensed danger, turned and ran to its left. Not stopping at this, the sloth bear chased the feline and entered the lake to immerse itself in cool waters. Thrilled by the visuals, many shot videos and some of them enjoyed the rare moment with their eyes and mouth wide open.

The video was shot by Hariprasad Vasishta, an employee of Global NTT and a resident of Kathriguppe in Bengaluru. This is not the first time that videos of Nagarahole wild animals have left social media users awed. Videos of many animal flights had gone viral online earlier too.

Tree top bear drives forest officials nuts

Mysuru, July 9 (BCT)- An adult sloth bear strayed into human habitat near Begur on the fringes of Bandipur National Park creating a mild commotion and fear. Though it took hours for the Forest Department officials in their efforts to chase the bear back to the forests, they were unsuccessful. In the end, they told villagers that the bear would descend the tree on its own at night.

The incident occurred yesterday at Kortagere village and the farmers, who had come to their fields, spotted two sloth bears. Seeing the men, one of the bears ran back into the woods while the other climbed a huge 60-ft tamarind tree and took refuge there.

The bears had come in search of food from Omkar Range of Bandipur Tiger Reserve. The tree top bear had climbed the tree and had taken shelter amidst thick branches. Seeing the bear, many villagers gathered and the Department staff was alerted.

The officials along with field personnel attempted to scare the bear by bursting crackers at the tree base. The bear, however, did not budge.

Later, a fire too was lit but the animal remained on top of the tree. Sensing that the bear would not come down, the officials told the villagers that the bear would come down on its own.

As the villagers insisted that the bear had to be driven back into the forest, the officials stayed put till the dark to chase the animal. Due to the commotion and the crowd, a portion of chilli and turmeric fields under the tamarind tree was destroyed.

Range Forest Officer Amar, Begur Circle Inspector Lakshmikanth and staff were present.

ICU, HDU beds added at PKTB Hospital to treat patients

Dr. M. Jayashekar, Resident Medical Officer of PKTB&CD Hospital, KRS Road, checking the newly arrived ventilators.

Ready in two months

"A separate ICU Ward is being constructed at PKTB&CD Hospital. It is expected to be ready within two months. Five ventilators are given for this Ward. Preparations are going on to face the third wave of COVID-19 pandemic".

— Dr. C.P. Nanjaraj, Dean and Director, Mysore Medical College and Research Institute

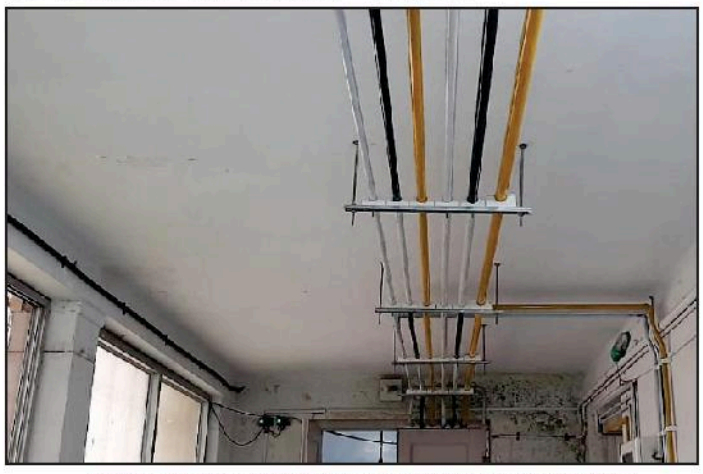
Mysuru, July 9 (MK&SSV)- The 100-year-old PKTB & CD Hospital (Sanatorium), Mysuru, which has a distinction of recording 'zero mortality' cases of Corona positive patients at its Centre, is all set to add ICU and High Dependency Unit (HDU) beds in the special ICU facility.

"It is a matter of pride that the ICU beds are created in the hospital for giving an excellent treatment to Corona positive patients. Once these beds are ready it is possible to give more service to patients," opined Dr. M. Jayashekar, Resident Medical Officer of PKTB & CD Hospital.

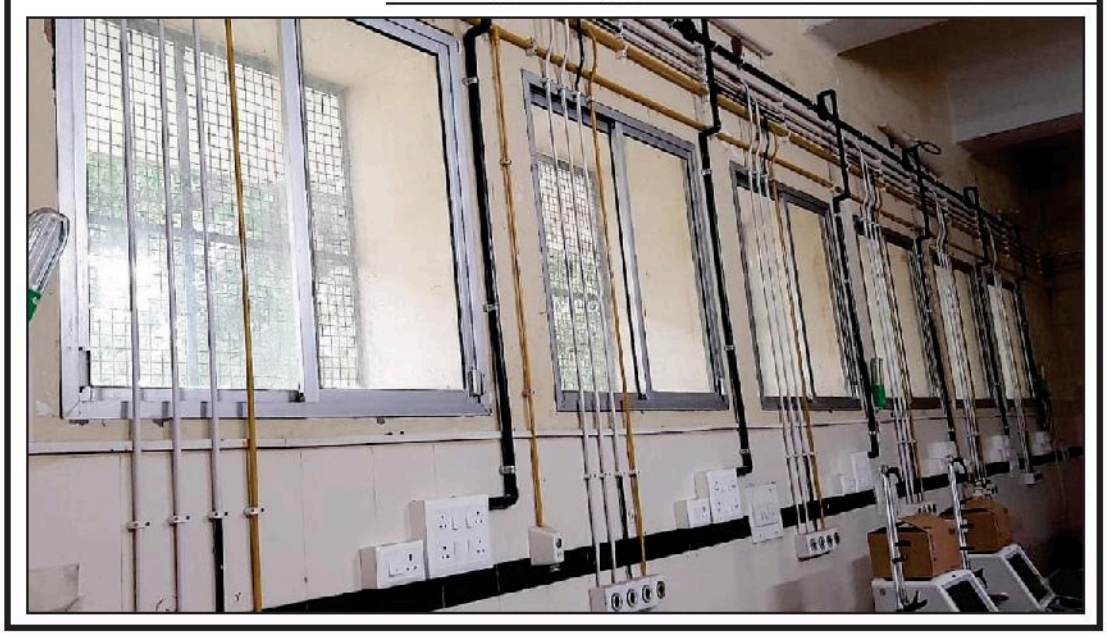
"The pipeline work for oxygen supply is over. Five more ventilators are coming. The monitor equipment are yet to come. The ICU with six ICU beds and six HDU beds are getting ready. Patients in serious condition will be treated in this unit. As many as 30 junior doctors have joined the Hospital for three months period. Ten each were working in District COVID Hospital, Trauma Care Centre and PKTB Sanatorium. Young doctors were offering full co-operation to give good service. Their services could be taken more in the proposed ICU," he told *SOM*.

Dr. Jayashekar said eight Post- Graduate students were doing research in PKTB Hospital. Earlier, the researchers were going to other Hospitals to learn more about treatment in ICU and henceforth, they could learn here itself.

The recent Coronavirus has been the main cause for the establishment of ICU Ward in the Hospital as 240 patients, who were admitted to Hospital with breathlessness, have gone back home after recovery thanks to tireless efforts of dedicated doctors, nurses and other staff members. "Our team of doctors is ready to face the possible third wave of COVID-19 pandemic. They can offer good treatment for patients during the third wave if the medicines were supplied to the Hospital," he noted.



Oxygen supply pipeline works completed at the hospital.



Ensure installation of oxygen generation plants by month end: MP

Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha inspecting the 1,000 LPM capacity oxygen generation plant being installed in the premises of K.R. Hospital in city yesterday.

Mysuru, July 9 (PM&SSV)- Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha has directed the District Officials to ensure installation of the Pressure Swing Adsorption (PSA) oxygen generation plant in the premises of K.R. Hospital before the end of this month.

This 1,000 LPM (Litres Per Minute) capacity oxygen plant is being installed with the financial assistance of National Highways Authority of India (NHAI).

Speaking at the District Development Coordination and Monitoring Committee (DISHA) meeting at the ZP Hall here yesterday, he said the oxygen plants must be established in six Taluk Headquarters of the District and the works must be completed by July 31. Health Department officials must be ready to manage the third wave of COVID-19 pandemic.

"Required quantity of medical oxygen must be generated in the respective Taluks and officials concerned must be ready with all facilities to deal with the third wave," the MP added.

District Health Officer (DHO) Dr. K.H. Prasad said sites have been identified at K.R. Nagar, Nanjangud and Hunsur towns to establish the oxygen generating plants and works have started. The works in other towns will commence soon, he added.

Deputy Commissioner Dr. Bagadi Gautham directed the DHO to submit a detailed report on the progress of PSA Units soon.

Mysuru District Officers heave a sigh of relief as Corona cases plummet

As many as 161 Corona positive patients are under treatment at KSOU COVID Care Centre at present. The capacity of this Centre is 625 beds. All the beds were occupied till the third week of June.

Mysuru, July 9 (RK&SSV)- The Officers of various Government Departments in Mysuru are now heaving a sigh of relief, thanks to a plunge in Corona positive cases in the last 8-10 days. This has resulted in drastic fall in demand for oxygenated beds in COVID Care Centres (CCCs), District COVID Hospital and Private Hospitals.

Intensive vaccination drive and continuation of lockdown restrictions till July 21 have reduced the intensity of COVID-19 pandemic in the district. The demand for ICU and oxygenated beds has fallen flat and there is no scramble for ventilators both in the Government and the Private Hospitals. All these positive developments have made officers of Mysuru City Corporation, Mysuru Urban Development Authority, Zilla Panchayat and Health and Family Welfare Department to relax a little bit.

The number of Corona positive patients has reduced in the CCC situated at a Hostel building in Bogadi and the Centres in private buildings. Likewise, the demand for ICU beds, oxygenated beds and ventilators at District COVID Hospital, Trauma Care Centre in PKTB Hospital premises, Super Speciality Hospital, K.R. Hospital and SMT Hospital has fallen drastically.

The COVID Mitra Centres were now getting around 10 to 20 patients. The number of telephone calls to COVID Control Room has decreased because of which the services of volunteers and other staff have been withdrawn.

However, vaccination drive was going on in Government Hospitals and Primary Health Centres and priority was given to second dose takers.

The RT-PCR and Rapid Antigen Tests (RAT) were going on for the detection and treatment of Corona positive patients.

The 18-plus population was given vaccination on priority. The pressure on burial grounds and crematoria in city has decreased due to fall in mortality rate.

WORD OF THE DAY

Bijou

Pronunciation: BEE-zhoo.
Meaning: A small dainty usually ornamental piece of delicate workmanship : jewel; something delicate, elegant, or highly prized.
Origin: Bijou (which can be pluralised as either bijoux or bijous) has adorned English since the late 17th century. We borrowed it from French, but the word ultimately traces to Breton, a Celtic language closely related to Cornish and Welsh and spoken by inhabitants of the Brittany region of northwest France. Our modern English word derives from Breton bizou, which means "ring." That history makes bijou a rare gem in English because, although the Breton people occupied part of England for many years before they were pushed into France by the Anglo-Saxons in the 5th and 6th centuries, very few Breton-derived words remain in our language. (Another Breton descendant is menhir, a term for a kind of monolith.)
Example: "To celebrate her latest collection ... jeweler Jesse Marlo Lazowski hosted an intimate dinner in New York City.... In a Putnam & Putnam–designed vitrine filled with layers of sand in desert-sunset hues, the bijoux were on full display and guests ... took their turns trying on the fine jewelry baubles." — Lilah Ramzi, Vogue, 2 Feb. 2018.

THE ODD WORD

Babirusa

Large wild pig of Indonesia.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Beating around the bush

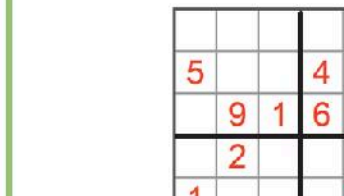
Meaning: The phrase 'Beating around the Bush' means to avoid answering a question; to stall; to waste time.
Origin: The origin of the idiom 'beating around the bush' is associated with hunting. In medieval times, hunters hired men to beat the area around bushes with sticks in order to flush out game taking cover underneath. They avoided hitting the bushes directly because this could sometimes prove dangerous; whacking a bees nest, for example, would put a swift and unwelcome end to the hunt.
Example: If you want to ask me, just ask; don't beat around the bush.

QUOTE BOX

Life is trying things to see if they work.—**Ray Bradbury**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:



Answer :Face up to it.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Doze or slumber
4 Father or daddy
8 Petty criminal
12 Actress Gardner
13 Cupid's alias
14 Military cap
15 Enacts or does on stage
17 Org.
18 Journalistic coup
19 Agreement
21 Ring Laser Gyro
23 Imbeciles or morons
27 TV Guide abbreviation
30 Equal opportunity employer abbr
32 Computer data
33 Invertebrate
35 Cricket legend Kapil ___
37 Tease or jeer
38 Not firm or fixed; hearsay (2,3)
40 Boxing results, abbr.
42 Superlative suffix
43 Tittle-tattle
45 Not, as a prefix?
47 Light of complexion
49 7 day periods
53 Abominable snowman?
56 Subjects of a country
58 Left again
59 Vast age
60 Martial arts great Bruce ___
61 Congo river
62 Whack or hit hard
63 Agreed

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

A	M	O	R	■	R	E	S	T	■	E	W	E
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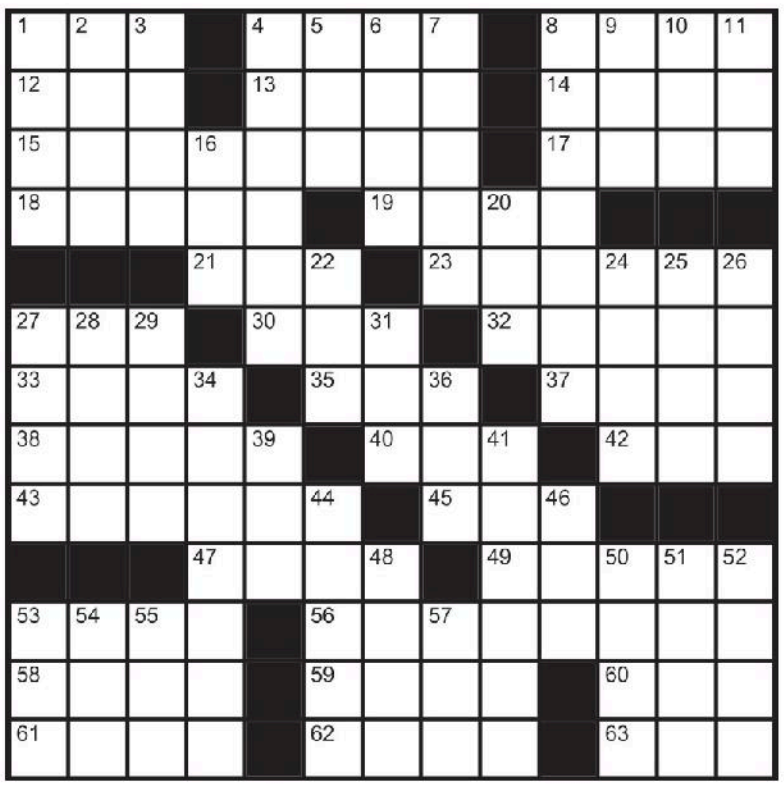
DOWN

1 Sleeps briefly
2 French preposition
3 Devdas's lover on screen
4 That's us - human beings?
5 Flightboard abbr.
6 Majestic display
7 Very, musically
8 _____ over : referring fleetingly to; disregarding?
9 Footlike organ
10 Internet addresses
11 Wine (Fr.)
16 In favour of
20 Course Deviation Indicator
22 The Almighty?
24 English painter
25 Small casks
26 "Let it stand", instruction for the printer?
27 Small branch
28 Pro ___ : For the public good
29 The first king of Phliasia
31 Comics cry
34 Fail to explode
36 __ Trapp: Sound of Music family
39 Narrow inlet, creek
41 Seeding or planting
44 Cravings for unnatural foods
46 Eye glasses: Pince ___
48 Monetary unit of Cambodia
50 Like congers
51 One of pair to be bent for supplication?
52 Nav. readings
53 The solver
54 ____ teaser : the roadside Romeo?
55 Telephone - in short?
57 Additionally



SUDOKU

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Answer to previous puzzle

1	5	8	4	9	7	3	2	6
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7	9	2	6	8	3	5	4	1
3	8	9	2	5	4	6	1	7
4	2	1	8	7	6	9	3	5
5	6	7	9	3	1	2	8	4
8	7	5	1	2	9	4	6	3
2	1	6	3	4	5	7	9	8
9	4	3	7	6	8	1	5	2

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

VZIVGB PH SJYH DL FHLFZH LS DMH IVG RF; PHYVRBH

GLR'ZZ AHHD DMH BVAH FHLFZH LS DMH IVG XLIS.

TODAY'S CLUE: G EQUALS Y

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Incompetents invariably make trouble for people other than themselves.

Apollo BGS Hospitals administers one lakh vaccination doses

Marching towards a safer and pandemic-free Mysuru

Mysuru, July 9- Apollo BGS Hospitals, Mysuru, has administered 1,00,000 doses of COVID-19 vaccines till July 8.

Vaccination being a strong tool to curb the pandemic, Apollo BGS Hospitals launched its vaccination drive in the city on March 1 this year for the 45-plus and above age group.

The 18-plus category was started on May 11 following the Government's announcement.

To facilitate maximum vaccinations to the people of Mysuru, Apollo started an extend centre at Ganabharathi, a close-by location, which received a very good response.

Speaking on the occasion, N.G. Bharateesha Reddy, Vice-President and Unit Head, Apollo BGS Hospitals, Mysuru, said, "We are happy to have achieved this milestone of 1 lakh vaccinations, which was possible due to exemplary teamwork, excellent execution and on-time availability of vaccines. Along with this, we extended the vaccination drive to peripherals outside the city. One such being the Tibetan Settlement at Bylakuppe where we vaccinated more than 6,000 monks at the monastery and the camp. This was coupled with vaccinating all the corporate companies in Mysuru which collectively led to this achievement."

"To further strengthen the drive, the Apollo Group organised a **Mega Vaccination Day** on June 30 with a dawn-to-dusk vaccination programme open to all demonstrating our geographic spread, vaccination capability and operational efficiency. We are also one of the only private hospital groups to vaccinate a maximum number of people in the country," he said.

Safety protocols like social distancing, compulsory mask, sanitisation were strictly followed while online registration was encouraged for quick turnaround time.

For further details, contact Mob: 98802-33054.

300 residents of Karakushalanagar receive first dose of COVID vaccine

Seen in the picture are (from left) Dr. Rajeshwari from the Department of Health and Family Welfare, Staff Padmavati, leader Murugesh, Bharathiya Itihasa Sankalana Samiti-Karnataka Pranthya Vice-President Dr. SBM Prasanna, Young and Adult Book Club Member Nitish and Mysuru Literary Forum Charitable Trust Chairperson Shubha Sanjay Urs.

Mysuru Literary Forum Charitable Trust hosts free camp

Mysuru, July 9 (PM&SSV)- As many as 300 residents of Karakushalanagar were given the first dose of vaccine at a free vaccination camp organised by Mysuru Literary Forum Charitable Trust and the Department of Health and Family Welfare at the area Anganwadi Centre here on Wednesday.

Fifty persons of above 45 years of age and 250 persons in the age group of 18 to 44 years received the first dose. They also underwent RT-PCR test.

Inaugurating the camp, Shubha Sanjay Urs, Chairperson of the Mysuru Literary Forum Charitable Trust and Mysuru Book Clubs-2015, said they have held several service activities during the pandemic like distribution of sanitising kits to 300 persons in IT sector and grocery kits to 150 guest lecturers. A cupboard had been donated to Seth Mohandas Tulasidas Hospital, a refrigerator to Mysuru District Hospital and breakfast to 355 Pourakarmikas.

Another round of vaccination drive will be held for the residents of Karakushalanagar, she added.

Dr. SBM Prasanna, Vice-President, Bharathiya Itihasa Sankalana Samiti, Karnataka Pranthya, Dr. Rajeshwari of Health and Family Welfare Dept., Trust Secretary Thangam Panakal and Convener Lakshmi were present.

Hoysala Karnataka Sangha fetes Corona Warriors during vaccination drive

Mysuru, July 9 (MTY&DM)- MP Pratap Simha inaugurated the vaccination drive for members of Hoysala Karnataka Sangha at the Sangha premises located on N.S. Road in Lakshmipuram here yesterday.

Speaking on the occasion, Pratap Simha said that following requests from the Sangha office-bearers, the day-long vaccination drive has been launched.

He appealed the Sangha members to make use of this drive and get themselves vaccinated for their own health, safety and well-being.

Recalling the service rendered by the Sangha, especially in the fields of Science and Technology, he said that many noted personalities such as acclaimed writer and *Sarawathi Samman* awardee Dr. S.L. Bhyrappa of Mysuru and Bengaluru South MP Tejasvi Surya belong to the community.

Several doctors including Dr. Aiyappa, Dr. Shivashankar, Dr. Mohan Kumar, Dr. Ravindra, Dr. Bhargav, Dr. Vidyashankar, Dr. Anand, Dr. Anitha Valleesh and Dr. Mahdev Prakash, who are serving as Corona Warriors, were felicitated on the occasion.

MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev, Hoysala Karnataka Sangha President K.R. Sathyanarayan, Vice-President Sundaresh, office-bearers Srinivas, Ranganath, Jayashankar, Shankarnarayan, Sandhya, Anupama, Varsha, Rakesh Bhat and others were present.

GSSSIETW students get jab

A student is seen receiving the jab at M. Govinda Rao Memorial Auditorium of GSSSIETW as Principal Dr. M. Shivakumar and Vaccination Drive Coordinator Dr. M. Yogesh look on.

Mysuru, July 9- GSSS Institute of Engineering & Technology for Women (GSSSIETW), KRS Road, Metagalli, Mysuru, in association with the Department of Health, Mysuru, had organised a one-day COVID-19 vaccination drive on July 3 in the institute campus to benefit the students of GSSSIETW, GSSS SOAW and GSSS SSFGC, Mysuru.

More than 500 students had been vaccinated with Covaxin during the drive. Prior to the vaccination, RT-PCR test was carried out to all those who attended the drive. Dr. S. Bellappa, Professor & Head, Dept. of Chemistry and Dr. M. Yogesh, Associate Professor and Head, Dept. of Mechanical coordinated, with the Health Officials in organising the drive successfully. The Standard Operating Protocols (SOPs) given by the Government of Karnataka was strictly followed during the vaccination drive.

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